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A great sense of personal loss to those close to him

Death of Dr. Robert A. Speirs saddens school community

Dr. Robert A. Speirs, Headmaster Emeritus, died on 25th March, 1981 after a lengthy illness.

Dr. Speirs was born in Scotland and educated at the University of Edinburgh and later at Columbia University, New York. He started his career in education in Scotland before coming to Montreal to teach at Lower Canada College. Dr. Speirs became head of the English department at L.C.C. and, later, Assistant Headmaster before coming to Selwyn House in 1945 as Headmaster.

In 1961, the School moved from its site on Redpath Street to its present location, and under the leadership of Dr. Speirs, Selwyn House expanded to its present day form, a school offering grades one through eleven, a school dedicated to academic excellence.

Dr. Speirs was granted an honorary LL.D by Sir George Williams University in 1968 in recognition of his long and valuable contribution to education. Upon retiring in 1971, he was named Headmaster Emeritus and continued his work in the classroom teaching linguistics until last November when he entered the hospital.

Dr. Speirs served his community as well. He was a member of the N.D.G. Community Council, the Board of the Fraser-Hickson Library, the Senate of the Presbyterian College of Montreal, the Board of the Queen Elizabeth

Hospital. He was a very active Mason and was Past Master of St. Paul's Lodge and Recorder of the District of Scotland. Dr. Speirs was also a member of the St. James Literary Society.

He is survived by his daughter, Elaine Muench of Amherst, Mass., three grandchildren and a sister, Eva Thomson.

To countless Old Boys, Bob Speirs was the School; unfailingly he took interest in their later education and subsequent careers. They remember him with affection and esteem, having come to appreciate the many wonderful qualities and talents he possessed. His goals and high ideals, his rigorous morality and his personal warmth and humour served as an inspiring model for students and colleagues alike.

Charles Peters, former member of the Selwyn House Board and longtime friend, paid fitting tribute in his eulogy at the service held for Dr. Speirs at the Knox Crescent and Kensington Presbyterian Church.

"We remember him as a teacher, as a leader and as a scholar. We recall his sterling qualities, his sense of responsibility, his integrity, his vision. We feel the loss of a friend who was warm in his affection and unfailing in his loyalty... his great love was Selwyn House School and the School of today stands as a Monument to Robert Speirs."



Dr. Robert A. Speirs

All aspects of programme examined

Pugwash III considers future possibilities for the School

The latest Mini-Pugwash Conference took place in the Château l'Aéroport at Mirabel on the evening of Friday, April 10th and during the day, April 11th. The purpose of this conference and those of 1973 and 1975 was "...to engage in some introspection as to the School's academic programme and to think through possibilities for the future". The meeting also provided the Headmaster-Elect Robert Manion, who was in attendance, with an opportunity to meet informally with various members of staff and to participate in this "think-tank".

As a preliminary to the conference, four sub-committees of teachers headed by B. S. Stevens, A. Weber, B. Porter and D. Williams, met on numerous occasions throughout the winter months to consider issues concerning the School, issues of a diverse nature, ranging from the structure of the present curriculum, the purpose of homework, the role of the computer, teacher's professional

development to the scope of the school's athletic programme. In all, these sub-committees had a mandate to consider some twenty major topics and their findings, some confirming existing practices and policies, others offering fresh possibilities for the future, provided grist for the Mirabel conference.

Mr. Troubetzkoy in his opening remarks on Friday evening pointed out to the participants that because of the forthcoming change of Headmasters the goal of the meeting was not to rewrite the good book or to plan specific programmes for next September. Rather, a more general purpose be assigned to it, one which could provide the School with long-term considerations formulated by senior members of staff.

All these were discussed in the conference and the findings of the sub-committees were presented to the main conference.

James E. Iversen retires after 30 years at S.H.S.



James E. Iversen

After 30 years' service, broken only by one year in the world of commerce, J. E. Iversen is retiring from Selwyn House and teaching. Jim began his career at the School in 1951, teaching English, Math and French at the Middle School level. Soon after, he abandoned

Middle School work to become Head of the French Department.

In 1968, Jim was appointed Assistant Headmaster under the late Dr. Robert A. Speirs, and there were few areas of School life that did not feel his influence. He was Staff Adviser to the Student Council, and to the Entertainment Committee and Project Society, and was the University Counsellor; as well, he began the S.H.S. French Summer School and initiated and produced S.H.S. Newsletter.

After his return to the School in 1972, Mr. Iversen was of great value in the routine operation of the School, but it is as a strong teacher of mathematics that he will be remembered most. Always well prepared, he was capable of eliciting the best from his students and provided them with a firm grounding in this key subject.

To Jim and his wife, Mary, we wish every possible happiness in the years ahead.

Shannon wins award at Canadian Debating Seminar

John Shannon (Grade 11) who was named to the Quebec Student Association nine-member team last February competed with this team at the Canadian National Debating Seminar in Montreal during the first week in May. This event saw teams from the other nine Provinces and the two Territories, a total of 84 students, vying for honours in public speaking and debating, and, at its conclusion, John was voted Best

Canadian public speaker in the English Sector for his speech entitled "Mon Pays".

Tim Reid (Grade 10), who attended last year's Seminar, participated again this year in the important role of Opposition Whip during the Seminar's model parliament.

Both students owe a great deal of their training to Coach Gary Butler and Old Boy Doug Peets.

Senior play is sparkling event



Curtain call at *Twelve Angry Men*

A group of talented actors recruited from Grades 10 and 11, under the direction of Mr. Byron Harker, presented two very successful performances of *Twelve Angry Men* on 13th and 14th April at St. Matthias' Church.

Reginald Rose's famous television drama, which originally starred Henry Fonda and Lee J. Cobb, is set in New York in the late 1950's, and the play details the deliberations of a murder jury in the trail of a nineteen year old slum boy who is alleged to have knifed his father.

The foreman of the jury as played by Garth Bray and the jurors, Nicholas Pratley, John Shannon, Andrew Vivian, David Skinner, Robert Gialloredo, Liam Ball, Clark Schwab, Sebastian Gault, Aymen Nader, John O'Brien and

Stephen Ahern, gave exceptionally strong performances and maintained a good pace in showing the concerns, the doubts, the prejudices, and sensitivities of the individual jurors before a final roll call for acquittal is made.

Secondary roles were played by Scott Vineberg, as the Guard, and David Stevenson, as the Judge and Court Clerk, and both actors handled their parts in a very credible manner.

Stage Manager, David Stevenson and his production crew, Technical Advisors, Mr. Warren Reid and Mrs. Pat Marsh also contributed greatly to the smoothness and polish of this taut drama, a presentation which ranks equally with Clive Spiegel's 1980 production of *The Importance of Being Earnest*.



James Soutar (Grade 9) winner in the S.H.S. Senior Physical Science competition. James (right rear) is standing beside his prize winning entry of a cyclone generator. James Dale was winner in the Junior section for his electric organ.

Students fare well in external competitions

The Grade 9 team entry in the recent Junior Mathematics Contest placed 9th among approximately 1,000 ninth grade teams in this Canada-wide competition. Jonathan Burnham, Karim Shariff and Hiro Kataoka were Selwyn House's best entrants and they were ranked in the top 10% of all the contestants.

In the Chemistry Competition, sponsored by the Chemical Institute of Canada, Joseph Kovalik (Grade 11) took first prize in Quebec. This contest is open to all students up to and including 1st year CEGEP, and Joe is to

be congratulated for doing so well in this demanding contest.

Fifty students from Grades 8-10 recently entered the annual National Latin Examination. Of these candidates, 15 excelled in their results. Five boys were honoured "Cum Laude", 8 received the "Magna Cum Laude" category and 2 were awarded "Maxima Cum Laude" standing. Dimitri Kydonieffs of Grade 8 and Karim Shariff, Grade 9, are to be congratulated for their fine medal-winning achievement.

Leigh Seville leads tour of 34

Students, parents, teachers visit Egypt

This year's Spring Break saw a group of 34 students, parents and teachers spend an unforgettable 10 days exploring Egypt. The trip was under the leadership of Mr. Leigh Seville, and this was his 24th student trip since joining Selwyn House thirteen years ago.

The group left Dorval Airport and flew to Cairo via New York, Vienna and Amman, Jordan. The first half of the visit to Egypt was spent in Cairo at the El Borg Hotel which proved to be an ideal base of operations for the tour as it fronted on the River Nile. From here, visits were made to the Pyramids at Giza, including the Great Pyramid of Cheops and the pyramids of Chephren and Mycerinus. The Step Pyramid at Sa-

qqara was also explored, and the Sphinx, a major point of interest, impressed everyone in the party.

From Cairo, the group went by train to Luxor in the South of Egypt. Here they visited the Karnak and Luxor temples, the Valley of the Queens, and King Tut's tomb in the Valley of the Kings.

The travellers, students and adults alike, thought the trip had been a wonderful experience, an adventure into antiquity, due, in large measure, to Mr. Seville's broad experience in student tours. Another trip is being planned for next spring, a visit to Greece and there is already interest in this venture.

Students raise funds for varied causes

The year students of the School have been successful in raising funds for a variety of causes. A December drive to obtain funds for the Red Cross was headed by Sean Core of Grade 11. He was ably assisted by Colin Chang, Phillip Lapin, Denis Stevens, Tim Reid, Amedeo and Simone Pace and John Paul Bartolini. The group ran a well organised appeal, maintaining a high degree of student interest in the campaign by skillful use of posters, notices and frequent announcements.

Their combined efforts paid off handsomely and a total of \$1,000.00 was raised by contributions from the student body, the staff and the School itself.

Early this spring, Grade 10, under the leadership of David Skinner, conducted a sale of grapefruit and oranges to students and staff. Orders for cases or half cases, which had been solicited over a period of several weeks, were placed at the wholesale level. Delivery of fruit to the School and distribution of all orders

were handled by the student organisers in a flawless fashion; and the School's Endowment Fund was \$1,800.00 richer because of Grade 10's combined efforts.

Another beneficiary of student fund raising was the Multiple Sclerosis campaign. Students in the Junior and Middle Schools combined their efforts and talents to organize a Read-a-thon which resulted in a donation of \$1,499.33 being made to this Organization. This sum represents a sizeable increase over last year's gift, and it was earned by these younger students reading a total of 586 books.

Winners in the M.S. Read-a-thon were:

1st: **Darren Waxman**, Grade 5, \$163.00

2nd: **Jason Leus**, Grade 3, \$90.00

3rd: **Michael Riley**, Grade 5, \$86.00

Those receiving Honourable Mention were: Bret Dougherty (Grade 2), Derek Vesey (Grade 4), David Kaufman (Grade 6), George Hadjipavlou (Grade 4), Stephen Scale (Grade 2).

Mr. Donald Johnston Federal M.P. welcomes group in Ottawa



Mr. Johnston facing lively question period

Towards the end of March, 60 Grade 7 boys and three teachers made their annual trek to our Nation's Capital under the leadership of Mr. Leigh Seville. The group visited the Museum of Science and Technology, the Museum of Man, the Mint, the War Museum and the Aeronautical Museum.

The highlight of the 2 day visit was an hour long stay in the Visitors' Gallery in the House of Commons during a lively Question Period. For most of the boys it was their first visit to a session of Parliament. At this juncture in Canada's history, it was of particular interest to observe the nation's leaders hotly

debating the constitution issue.

Mr. Donald Johnston, the Federal Member of Parliament for Westmount-St. Henri spent half an hour with the group outlining his function in Ottawa. He also fielded a barrage of questions from the boys.

The interview with Mr. Johnston was arranged by Anne Lafleur from Mr. Johnston's Westmount office, and her co-operation in making several special arrangements for the students contributed greatly in helping to make the Ottawa visit a very worthwhile educational experience.

Young computer experts take top spot in inter-school competition

The first annual Montreal running of the University of Wisconsin's Computer Competition took place on Sunday, May 31 at the Herzliyah High School. The inter-school event was planned and organized by Miss Lexie Fournier, computer teacher at Herzliyah.

The competition was open to students from Grades 7-11. The winners were: Grade 7: Tom Hood, David Ham and Jeffrey Dick; Grade 8: Francesco Fato, Kasey Fukada; Grade 9: Jonathan Burnham, Karim Shariff and Hiro Kataoka; Grade 10: Joseph Kovalik; Grade 11: Tom Hood, David Ham and Jeffrey Dick. The winners received computer books, and the Seniors won a week-long computer course for each team member with Dr. Tim Merritt, Associate Professor Computer Science at McGill, each course having an approximate value of \$1,000.00.

Kovalik, and two Junior teams of Tom Hood, David Ham and Jeffrey Dick, Francesco Fato, Kasey Fukada. Our senior team placed first in their category while the duo of Ham and Hood placed fourth in the junior division giving the School an overall first for the competition.

As prizes, the Juniors garnered computer books, and the Seniors won a week-long computer course for each team member with Dr. Tim Merritt, Associate Professor Computer Science at McGill, each course having an approximate value of \$1,000.00.

The grand prize of a \$1,700.00 Apple Computer was awarded to the School for achieving the best combined team total. Congratulations Mr. Jim Varey, Mr. Brad Moffat and team members!

Spring Sports

Bantam, Midget Rugby teams win 4 titles G.M.A.A. 7's and 15-a-Side Championships to School

The spring athletic programme was highlighted by the winning of 4 G.M.A.A. titles in Rugby. The Midget-A's coached by Eddie Heath, had a season's 9-1 record, and the squad led by T. MacFarlane, R. Sephton, G. Drummond, W. Zacharkiw, G. Reford, and R. Drummond swept to G.M.A.A. Championships in both the 15's and the 7's.

The Bantams who started their season badly by dropping their first two games proved to be strong finishers. Team play improved greatly over the season, and, under the leadership provided by E. Blachford, D. Patterson, J. Bray, M. Audet, M. Capombassis, J. Bishop, and D. Doheny, the Bantams overpowered Lachine H.S. 38-8 in the finals to take the 15-a-side Championship, having taken the 7's title at an earlier date.

G.M.A.A. tennis tourney entered

From a group of about twenty, six boys were chosen to represent Selwyn House in the G.M.A.A. competition on the 15th of May this year.

J. Torriani and G. Lupu were selected as our best singles players. S. Gutierrez and G. Moore made up one doubles team and Chris Eberts and Andrew

Osterland the other.

Two months of practice at the Nun's Island Indoor courts paid off as Selwyn House did not lose one match (out of 20) in the preliminary round robin. Both singles players and doubles teams advanced to the final elimination rounds held on May 19th. Lupu and the team of Gutierrez and Moore lost in close matches in the quarter-finals. Torriani advanced to the singles semi-final only to lose to the eventual singles champion. As a team, Selwyn House School placed second in this city-wide competition.

Athletic Banquet largest yet

The annual get-together which officially signals the close of the sports programme this year drew some 200 boys and their fathers. The banquet honoured Mr. Troubetzkoy who spoke on Selwyn House's expanded sports programme which took place during his tenure.

Among the many awards made on this occasion were those presented to the School's two top Athletes. John Czaharyn (Grade 11) won the McMaster Trophy and Jeff. Bishop (Grade 7) the Cassils Cup for their major contributions to S.H.S. sports.

4 new records set at annual Track Meet

The annual Track and Field meet was held on 15th May at the Westmount Athletic grounds, and despite cool, cloudy weather the event was attended by a large number of parents and friends. This meet involving all levels in the School is divided into two sections. Grades 1-3 compete in a number of "fun" events including an obstacle course, balloon, sack, kneeball and potato races, and Grades 4-11 participate in the traditional track and field events.

Four new records were established this year in field events, but track standards set in past years remained intact against the assaults of a number of talented runners. New distances were

achieved in the soft ball throw by Tim Brierly (11 yr.), the long-jump by Francesco Fato (14 yr.), triple-jump by Ian Blachford (10 yr.) and shot-put by John Higgins (14 yr.)

The inter-House Championship was won by Macaulay House with Wanstall placing a close second. The meet's top award, The Victor Ludorum, was taken by Paul Broomfield. Individual winners in their respective age categories were as follows: 9 years and under: J. Tsadilas; 10 years: I. Blachford, J. Higgins, tied; 11 years: Kyle Kerr; 12 years: T. Schopflocher; 13 years: William Black; 14 years: Sean Sencor; 15 years: Tom MacFarlane.

Activity Night



Mr. J. P. Martin showing manual training exhibit to Dr. and Mrs. V. M. Whitehead.



Spectators at one corner of the Junior Art exhibit.

O.B. rugby team swamps Seniors

On May 30th, the Old Boys again defeated the Selwyn House Senior team. Although the quality of play on both teams was excellent, the Old Boys had the edge in both experience and team spirit.

As the game began, so did the rain and it lasted through the entire game. However, the wet field did not seem to hinder play and everyone gave their best effort. Coaches Peter Govan and Edward Heath added a great deal of extra strength to the Senior team. The Old Boys' squad had a turnout of 25 players permitting substitutions every quarter and providing all members of the team with equal playing time.

Coach Heath scored the only try for the Senior team, and Robert Sephton gave the team its only other points on a penalty kick. The Old Boys' team had good balance and speed, and their points were distributed evenly amongst the whole team. Some of the more memorable tries were scored by Billy Chambers, David Daly, Eric Stevenson, and Alexander Gault.

Everyone enjoyed playing the first four quarters so much that referee Jay Johnston allowed for a ten minute extension of the game. The final score was 42-7.



MIDGET CHAMPS (Rear L. to R.) A. Price, R. Drummond, D. Pascal, H. Mehnert, J. Higgins, R. deAguayo, A. MacKay, A. Woodall, S. Vineberg, Coach Heath (Front L. to R.) G. Reford, M. Morden, W. Zacharkiw, T. Zyto, M. Ullman, G. Drummond, R. Sephton, D. Doyle, T. MacFarlane.



BANTAM CHAMPS (L. to R.): D. Patterson, G. Kostiw, J. Bishop, P. Thompson, M. Capombassis, E. Blachford, R. Lunny, J. Bray, J. Price, M. Audet, Coach Wearing

Gym converted to Vegas casino Winnings go to Endowment Fund

The Student Combined Appeal Committee this year again sponsored a two-fold campaign to raise funds. As in past years, the committee directed a Casino afternoon which took place in the gym and a lottery which offered over \$300.00 in prizes.

The Casino, headed by Andrew Smith (Grade 11), transformed the gym into a vast gambling palace where a coin toss, wheel of fortune, craps table, and other tests of skill and chance, including a computer games section, garnered \$450.00 for the campaign.

During the month prior to the Casino event, lottery tickets were sold in both

the Junior and Senior schools. Offered as prizes were a black and white television set, a Birk's silver tray, tickets to the executive box for a Mame soccer game, dinner for two at Hotel La Cite and numerous other attractive offerings.

Enthusiasm for this event was especially high among members of the Junior school and they contributed over 50% of the final total of \$500.00.

Because this year saw the formal launching of the Endowment Fund, the Appeal committee very generously decided to donate all their earnings, \$950.00, to the newly created Fund.

Toronto O.B.'s briefed on Endowment Fund

Approximately 30 Selwyn House Old Boys living in the Greater Toronto area gathered for a reunion cocktail party at the Albany Club, Toronto, on May 13. The function, organized by Peter Nobbs, '57 and Bruce Barker, '66, also included a number of wives and friends.

The Headmaster travelled from Montreal for the occasion and Mr. R. Manton, Headmaster Designate, was present to meet the guests. Mr. Troubetzkoy spoke briefly on the state of the School and outlined the work of the Endowment Fund.

Among those who signed in at the guest register were:

John Kemp, '33
Anson McKim '49
Michael A. Neighen, '53
C.W. (Tim) Peters, '54
Andrew Campbell, '58
Peter Schaal, '58
David McMaster, '59
Chris. Moseley, '61
Gordon Norsworthy, '64
Murray Leiter, '64
John O. McCutcheon, '68
Thornley Stoker, '68
Dan Gold, '71
Brian Dopking, '71

Ron Linden, '71
Geoffrey Hale, '72
J. Corey Nicholson, '73
Richard Small, '76
Ian Small, '81

IN MEMORIAM

'12 Hon. George C. Marler at Montreal, on April 13, 1981.

'26 J. G. Carrique at Montreal on December 15, 1980.

The Editor would like to take this opportunity of thanking his colleagues, especially Rob Wearing, for supplying, over the past number of years, often on very short notice, material for the Newsletter.

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- 58 John R. W. Fieldhouse recently returned to External Affairs headquarters after previous postings in Viet-Nam, France, Morocco, Jamaica and Ottawa.
- 57 Christopher Hyde, seen at the O.B. dinner, related that he had married Nancy Wyndowe on September 6, 1980 at St. Andrew's and St. Paul's Church, Montreal.
- 59 Harry Bloomfield, President of the Old Boys' Association, was recently appointed by Pierre Marc Johnson, Quebec Minister of Financial Institutions, to serve a three year term as a Commissioner for the Quebec Securities Commission.
- 59 Timothy N. Coristine, Senior Investment Analyst with the Royal Trust was appointed Assistant Treasurer of that Corporation.
- 64 Ronnie Graham has recently organised a publishing company for Canadian novels called Canton Press which is located in Ways Mills, Quebec. At present, he is writing his second novel in Sri Lanka and will return to Canada in May.
- 67 Wm. Melvin Weigel proudly related that he had a new daughter named Melissa, born January, 1981.
- 70 Norman C. Tobias who was formerly with the Toronto law firm of Verchere, Noel and Eddy as a tax lawyer has just moved back to Montreal. He has joined the office of Deloitte, Haskins and Sells, a national C.A. firm, as a tax counsel.
- 71 Michael Lapin is graduating this spring from McGill in medicine and will be interning at the Montreal General Hospital. Michael's future plans aim towards a career in international health and related fields.

- 72 Larry T. Karass has been named Vice-President, International, of Caristrap Corporation of Laval, Quebec.
- 73 Chris Bovaird will be graduating this spring from the University of Western Ontario where he has been completing his MBA programme.
- 74 Murray Stark was teaching English as a second language in Catania, Sicily. He has also just finished writing a book which, hopefully, will be published in New York.
- 75 Elliot Kaufman graduates this spring from McGill University with a BA in political science and will be attending law school next September at the University of Ottawa.
- 77 Kevin Rateliff has been elected President of the Student Union of the University of New Brunswick for 1981-82 session.
- 77 Constantine Zarifi is completing his 3rd year at the University of Toronto, Victoria College. He will be working in shipping in London, England this summer.
- 78 Kenneth D. Clark is presently at the University of Western Ontario studying economics. He is also the Entertainment Director of CHRW Radio Western and is in the running for President of the Student's Council.
- 78 Donald Ian Kenwood is getting married on September 12, 1981. He is employed by Kenwood's Moving and Storage Limited.
- 78 John Welsford is attending the University of Waterloo studying accounting.
- 79 Arnold A. Lazare completed his first year of social studies at Dawson College and is hoping to continue his studies at Carleton University in social work.
- 79 George Zarifi has completed his second year at Rensselaer Polytechnic Institute in Troy, New York where he is majoring in mechanical

engineering.

- 80 John Peter Guy is studying engineering at the University of Waterloo. He was class leader in mathematics and physics for 1981.
- 80 Nicholas McConnell graduates from St. Paul's this spring and will be attending Harvard next September to major in history and economics.
- 81 David Miller has completed his Q-year at Carleton University. Next year he will be pursuing a dual degree in engineering and industrial design.

Caroline Cooper, Co-ordinator of the Old Boys' Association and the Endowment Fund, performs a number of jobs, one of which is the looking after and updating of Old Boys' records. And it is here that she is proving to be a remarkable detective. Her curiosity and persistence in locating "missing" Old Boys have not only greatly increased the O.B. roll, but the organisation's administration is also flourishing under her care.

As a result of her detective work, Mrs.

Cooper often receives a number of interesting letters from expatriate O.B.'s many of whom are grateful to renew ties with their Old School and to be able to send greetings to fellow classmates. One such letter arrived recently from Dr. Timothy Yates, '52 who is Head, Mental Health Programme, Psychiatrist-in-Chief, Alberta Children's Hospital and Associate Professor, Faculty of Medicine, University of Calgary.

"...I would like to assure you that I have not been hiding out all these years in the anticipation of the elimination of the Old Boys' Association annual dues.

Names that come back to me from my time at Selwyn House include Jay Monge, Peter Nobbs, Christopher Hyde, Nicholas Hoare, Duncan Peachy, Tim Brodhead, and surnames for which I seem to have lost the corresponding given name, such as Turnbull, Le-Moyne, Colby, Vodstreil, Boundy and Coristine.

If greetings are read out at your annual gathering I would be pleased to have my greetings offered to these people and to whomever is assembled there..."

Old Boy dinner draws good cross-section of Grads

The Old Boys' dinner, which took place on Monday, May 4th at the School, brought together some 125 members of the Association for a pleasant evening of shared memories. Cocktails served in the diningroom were followed by a sumptuous meal prepared by Nina at candle-lit tables in the gym. The scene presented quite a contrast to the normal, noisy proceedings of the daily use of the gym.

Following dinner, President Harry Bloomfield brought the Old Boys up to date on Association business and then called upon Mr. E. C. Moodey ('Moo') to propose a toast to the School. 'Moo' responded in his inimitable, droll and, at times, ironic manner, much to the delight of his many ex-students in the

audience.

Mr. Douglas Robertson, Chairman of the Board of Directors of Selwyn House then paid tribute to retiring Headmaster Alexis Troubetzkoy for the many contributions he had made to the School during his tenure as Headmaster.

Mr. Troubetzkoy spoke fondly of his years at Selwyn House, likening himself to the conductor of a symphony who had brought into tune the disparate groups that made up the School community. Mr. Troubetzkoy closed his remarks by passing a baton to Mr. Robert Manion, the Headmaster-Elect.

Mr. Manion's remarks were pithy and few; he offered no promises other than hard work and dedication.

Seen at the O.B. Dinner



- #1) Mrs. G. B. Skinner, member of Board of Directors, Headmaster-Elect Robert Manion, Geoffrey Dowd, English Department. #2) Headtable guests (L. to R.) B. S. Stevens, R. Manion, G. H. Merrill, Headmaster L.C.C., A. S. Troubetzkoy, O.B. President Harry Bloomfield '59, D. C. Robertson '47, Board Chairman, Mrs. E. C. Moodey, Mr. E. C. Moodey, Hon. O.B. #3) (L. to R.) Dr. Bruce Ramsay '39, W. R. Noble '39, H. Laffleur '45, Dr. G. W. Lehman '43, John M. Hallward '43. #4) W. R. Noble '39 chatting with Tom Hruby-Holy '72. #5) (L. to R.) Peter Vodstreil '56, Michel Choquette '52, D. W. Williams member of staff, William Daly '48. #6) R. McGregor '80, P. Panel-Raymond '78, Alain Weber, Head French Dept. #7) John W. Sharpe '33, Mrs. G. H. Merrill, James E. Iversen, Newsletter Editor and Hon. O.B. #8) (L. to R.) Andrew Nemec '79, David Daly '80, David Cude, staffmember, Nicholas Rideout '80.

